



The Rotary Club of Bournemouth North

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NEWSLETTER

OH, WHAT A NIGHT!

The West Hants Club will never be the same again. Our club came together to celebrate 'Anne's highly successful year in office' we did that with a highly successful night of dancing, toe tapping, laughter and fun; just what President Anne or-



Anne with her family, from left, Grand-daughter Serena, son-in-law Simon, daughter Stephanie, Graham & Anne, son in law Neil & daughter Jennie.

dered. She wanted the 'Swing Unlimited Big Band' they came and delivered, big, they were 17 strong, swing, their music swung from rock 'n roll, through the classical standards of our era and with plenty of smoochy romance, just what the President ordered.

Even the most reluctant were spotted dancing, Richard Grigg showed some dainty steps; Richard Taylor is a whiz at jiving; Trevor Clements has a great foxtrot. The ladies loved the Roger Deas ensemble and keenly waited for a twirl to see his kilt fly high, but the sporran did it's job and his modesty remained intact.

Altogether a superb evening of celebration of a great Presidential year, she promised us fun and laughter and delivered, have you ever seen so many smiles on the top table. Thank you Anne for setting the standard so high for others to follow.

PRESIDENTIAL PRATTLE

Well here we are in June and my Presidential year is nearly over. Where did that year go, I ask? Since I last prattled to you, a lot has happened, besides handing out cheques (which included a dip in Moordown St. John's swimming pool with Malcolm), I have been busy helping in Christchurch Priory Music Festival, a cream tea for our Monday Friendship Club and helping Graham when he hosted the Coffee Morning at our home.

My family and I had a wonderful evening at West Hants Tennis Club, for my President's Night. The food, music and company was fantastic. I am sure everyone who was there really enjoyed themselves, as I know we did. We left around midnight, with me clutching my flowers.

9am next Sunday morning, Graham and I were stood in front of Bournemouth Pier, in warm jackets and jeans, being handed our Marshal Tabards for the Race for Life 5k and 10k run. Denis Gritt also turned up to marshal the event. Lo and behold as we watched the 2500 runners coming towards us, a little voice says "Hello Anne", Robbie Spurgeon is taking part!

It seems Shelagh was missing luxurious holidays, so as a cruise was not possible, a night in Poole Hospital was just the answer! Unfortunately Shelagh passed out whilst shopping, and was taken to hospital. The cause of the blackout is not known yet, she is recovering slowly and on BNRC behalf, I wish her a speedy recovery back (cont on page 2 col 1, bottom)

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Meetings at the West Hants Club, Roslin Road South, Bournemouth, BH3 7OF

1st Tuesday of month—no meeting; 2nd, 3rd & 4th Tuesday - 6.30pm for 7pm - no meeting on the 5th Tuesday.

MORE MEMORIES FROM THE PRESIDENTIAL BALL



From below, Anne receives a bouquet from Richard, the Big Band, Ana our guest from Brazil & Karen, Rowan & Marie Bagshawe.

LET'S CELEBRATE A GREAT YEAR

'As the Rotary year draws to a close, I am prouder than ever to be part of this great organisation: one that makes the world not poorer, but richer; replaces despair with hope; raises up those whom fate has brought low; and is a gift to so many, while allowing each of us to Be a Gift to the World'

The words of KR Ravindran, Rotary International President 2015/16.

We, Bournemouth North, do not pretend to make a major impact, worldwide, though the Maasi people of Kenya might think differently, but every food parcel we deliver, every contribution made in support of those in real need, every family that goes home from the Donkey Derby with a smile on their face, we are making a difference and provide a small gift to our local community. The strength of Rotary is in the thousands of Clubs and millions of members each making a small contribution which add up to the 'Gift to the World' that Ravi refers to.

Our Club has benefitted from great leadership from President Anne during the passed year who was always in front, leading by example, showing us the way. Let's each of us keep the momentum going.

(cont from page 1) I wish her a speedy recovery back to her old self. Consequently, Shelagh has stepped down as next year's President, Richard is stepping into the breach! I wish Richard and his new team a very happy and fulfilling year. Thank you to all members, and your loved ones for your help and support during my Presidential year, I will prattle no more.

GET WELL SOON

The Club was deeply concerned to hear of Shelagh's recent health scare, and it is very understandable that she has found it necessary to stand down as our incoming President. Shelagh has already served for five years as our Club Secretary & knows all about the demands of office within the Club. We wish her and John well and hope that she enjoys a speedy recovery. In the meantime Richard Taylor has agreed to bring his year forward and will take the Chair in July. We wish him well.



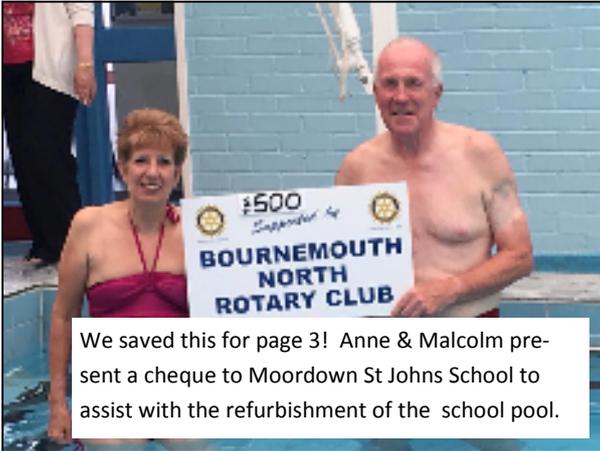
SPORT

Sorry if it is mainly Petanque but that is what has been going on. The Club continues to thrive in the New Forest League but the early successes have dipped and we have lost our last two league matches, disappointing but we remain 4th in Division 1 of the league. In the Rotary Championships we have now recorded two victories, the latest against Poole Bay who we beat 5-0. Rotary petanquers play most Mondays at Merley Community Centre from about 7pm, come and try. We have the Victor Charity Petanque competition coming up on the 17.7.16 at the Three Tuns, Bransgore, mixed teams of two, one must be a Rotarian, a really good fun day, call Terry or Chris if you want to enter. Captain Terry still trying to organise the bowls, more excitement to come.

FANCY A TRIP TO MASSACHUSETTS?

For over forty years our Rotary District has held an annual exchange with Rotary Clubs in Massachusetts, one year they come to us, the following year we to them; in late September, 14 couples and two single Rotarians from the States will visit us; the organisers are looking for Rotarians to host American friends for 3-4 days; the quid pro quo is that you get the chance of going over there next year. Give Chris a call from more details.

ANNE & MALCOLM OUT & ABOUT WITH THE CLUB CHEQUE BOOK!



We saved this for page 3! Anne & Malcolm present a cheque to Moordown St Johns School to assist with the refurbishment of the school pool.



Anne & Malcolm present a cheque to Springwood School (part of Lynwood School) for musical instruments and playground stuff

Georgia—hole in one specialist

Georgia Hall, sponsored by Bournemouth North Rotary in her formative years, is becoming an expert at achieving a 'hole in one' on the Ladies European Golf Circuit. On 18th June, playing in the Tipsport Golf Masters in Czechoslovakia, the Bournemouth girl achieved the coveted hole in one at the 153yd, 15th hole which helped her to a 5 under par tournament score and 16th place (and the second English woman), the achievement won her an Omega Seamaster Aqua Terra 150m Watch, sounds expensive! Georgia did the same in the Dubai Classic in December 2014.

Georgia is just 20-yrs-old and an ex pupil of the Leaf Academy she currently holds sixth place in the European Ladies Order of Merit and is the second English woman, such potential, watch her progress and en-



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MUSCLIFFE PARK

The Shack Cafe at Muscliffe Park will be reopening in July providing a full range of snacks and hot & cold drinks throughout the day. The Cafe is run by Merley House Events in conjunction with the Hospitality School, they provide employment training for young people trying to break into the job market. On the 23.7.16 the Park will host a Poppy Picnic raising money for the British legion Poppy appeal, lots of food and attractions for children, pray for good weather.

ABOUT WEST HOWE

A West Howe Strategic Area Assessment was carried out in 2012 and refreshed in 2015.

Some of the key findings included:

It is the most deprived area in Bournemouth for Education, Skills and Training

- There is significant income deprivation
- Adults are significantly more likely to have no qualifications
- Significantly fewer young people achieve 5 or more GCSEs A* - C, including Maths and English**
- Lung cancer, coronary heart disease and premature mortality rates are significantly higher, as are hospital admissions for self harm and alcohol related harm

The West Howe Regeneration Partnership was formed to try to address some of these problems. Is there a role for our Club in supporting them?

THE KINSON SUMMER FESTIVAL 2/3.7.16

Flashdance in Pelhams Park, 100 + locals performing the same dance, spontaneously? 2pm 2/7/16. A full weekend, showcasing Kinson's talent in music, dance and the performing arts, lots of stalls and good food. Support our community, dance, sing, eat and be merry.

Diary Dates

- 28.06.16 - Club Assembly
- 2-3.07.16 - Kinson Summer Festival
- 05.07.16 - no meeting
- 08.07.16 - Barbecue Social, Parkstone Golf Club
- 12.07.16 - Handover
- 17.07.16 - Victor's Boule, Three Tuns
- 19.07.16 - Guest night, Speaker Alyson Whitley, Bmth Boro Council Emergency Planning Officer
- 26.07.16 - no meeting
- 02.08.16 - no meeting
- 09.08.16 - Committees
- 16.08.16 - Guest Night
- 23.08.16 - Business Meeting
- 03.11.16 - Golf in the dark

MAKE SURE YOU INFORM ROS IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND A MEETING—FAILURE TO DO SO MIGHT RESULT IN PAYING FOR A MEAL YOU HAVE NOT TAKEN. ROS ALSO NEEDS TO KNOW YOUR MENU CHOICES BY MID MORNING ON THE MONDAY BEFORE A MEETING, DON'T LET HER DOWN.

Thanks to all contributors. More items & photos always welcomed.